

By: King of Hemphill

H.R. No. 902

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The City of Muleshoe has greatly benefited from the
2 dedicated leadership and vision of Cliff Black, who has served his
3 fellow citizens as mayor for 17 years; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Black was first elected to the Muleshoe City
5 Council as the representative for District 2 in 1995; he went on to
6 run for mayor in 2004, and he has won six subsequent bids for
7 reelection; during his tenure, he has overseen a number of major
8 developments, including the construction of a new water park and a
9 new building for the local police department, many upgrades to park
10 facilities, and several renovations to the Muleshoe Municipal
11 Airport; moreover, the city has made improvements to its water and
12 wastewater system, and it has secured water rights and drilled new
13 wells to ensure that the community will have a steady supply of
14 water into the future; and

15 WHEREAS, In addition to his service in municipal government,
16 Mayor Black has volunteered his time generously with numerous
17 organizations; he was appointed to the Governor's Agricultural
18 Advisory Council for the Texas Employment Commission and to the
19 Grant Advisory Committee for the Texas Secretary of Agriculture; he
20 has also served as Region 3 president and as a member of the state
21 legislative committee for the Texas Municipal League, and he has
22 held other prominent roles with the South Plains Association of
23 Governments, the Muleshoe Area Industrial Foundation, the Texas
24 Fruit & Vegetable Growers Association, and the High Plains

1 Vegetable Growers Association; well-respected for his expertise in
2 agriculture, he has led Springlake Potatoes Inc. as its president
3 and general manager; and

4 WHEREAS, Mayor Black is a devoted husband, father, and
5 grandfather who has contributed to the youth of the community
6 through his work as president of the Muleshoe Little League, as a
7 board member of the Muleshoe Youth Basketball League, and as a
8 cubmaster and scoutmaster for the local Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts
9 groups; he is the recipient of two Cub Scouts Silver Shovel Awards
10 and the Boy Scouts Silver Beaver Award, and he was further
11 recognized with a Distinguished Citizen Award from the Boy Scouts
12 of America South Plains Council; moreover, he was honored as Man of
13 the Year by the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce in 1998; and

14 WHEREAS, Over the course of a quarter century in public
15 service, Cliff Black has demonstrated exceptional commitment to the
16 betterment of Muleshoe, and his efforts in behalf of the community
17 will be remembered and admired for many years to come; now,
18 therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
20 Legislature hereby honor Cliff Black for his outstanding service as
21 mayor of Muleshoe and extend to him sincere best wishes for the
22 future; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
24 prepared for Mayor Black as an expression of high regard by the
25 Texas House of Representatives.